(c) whether Doordarshan would start its own in-house commissioning of programmes with dedicated team giving all the facilities to compete with the private channels in the Kendras like Guwahati?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Budget of DAVP for print media

2325. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the budget of DAVP for the print media; and

(b) the breakup of the total budget language-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD): (a) and (b) During the 2002-03, DAVP issued advertisements to newspapers for Rs. 100,13,94,826 made available from its own budget as also other Ministries/Departments. The language-wise break-up is in the Statement.

Statement

Details of language-wise amount committed by DAVP during the year 2002-2003

Sl.No.	Language	Amount in Rs.
1.	English	476287064
2.	Hindi	287752047
3.	Urdu	25258183
4.	Punjabi	13624807
5.	Marathi	37012223
6.	Gujarati	34896961
7.	Sindhi	1245155

Sl.No.	Language	Amount in Rs.
8.	Assamese	3602999
9.	Bengali	45273382
10.	Oriya	14463596
11.	Tamil	17228958
12.	Telugu	9730259
13.	Malayalam	21458414
14.	Kannada	11729360
15.	Sanskrit	62497
16.	Nepali	371152
17.	Mizo	924635
18.	Khasi	5968
19.	Konkani	2734
20.	Manipuri	464432
	TOTAL	100,13,94,826

Basic service structure in TV Amendment Act

†2326. DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether any provision of basic service structure has been made by Government in the T.V. Amendment Act under which 30 free to Air channels would be provided at the rate of Rs. 72;

(b) whether Government have fixed any guidelines to ascertain suitable blend of entertainment, information and education channles under the said service structure; and

(c) whether viewers would be free to choose channels of their own choice from amongst the channels to be shown by the cable operators?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.